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SUBJECT: JCCIA DEVELOPMENTS: PARTIES MOVE AHEAD

ON NEUTRALIZATION OF VIENTIANE AND LUANG PRABANG

REF: VIENTIANE 986

CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD

1. LPF AND RLG CONTINUE TO MOVE AHEAD SMARTLY IN PREPARING FOR NEUTRALIZATION OF VIENTIANE AND LUANG PRABANG. WE UNDERSTAND THAT LAO NATIONAL POLICE HAVE ALREADY TAKEN FIRST STEPS TO EFFECT TURNOVER OF URBAN POLICE FUNCTIONS IN VIENTIANE AND LUANG PRABANG TO JOINT POLICE FORCES (JPFS) IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREEMENT SIGNED FEBRUARY 6. (FBIS/ BANGKOK 070752Z FEB CARRIES GOOD ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF LAO TEXT OF THAT AGREEMENT AND FBIS/BANGKOK 071449Z FEB TRANSMITS TRANSLATION OF AGREEMENT ON CIVIL ADMINISTRATION AND WE DO NOT PLAN TO SUBMIT THESE SEPARATELY.)

2. JCCIA DELEGATIONS ARE, AS REPORTED REFTEL, SCHEDULED
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TO PRESENT COPIES OF POLICE AND CIVIL ADMINISTRATION AGREE-

MENTS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN CEREMONIES AT VIENTIANE AND LUANG PRABANG ON FEBRUARY 9 AND 11, RESPECTIVELY.

3. IN ADDITION, THE COMMAND STAFFS OF THE TWO SIDES' PROTECTIVE MILITARY FORCES (PMFS) FOR VIENTIANE MET ON FEBRUARY 5, INCLUDING COMMANDERS OF RLG AND LPF MILITARY FORCES IN VIENTIANE AND CHIEFS OF THE TWO SIDES' DELEGATIONS TO THE JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE FOR NEUTRALIZATION OF VIENTIANE. ACCORDING TO PATHET LAO RADIO, THE TWO SIDES AGREED TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM ON WORKING PROCEDURES IN VIENTIANE, AND ALSO AGREED ON THE SITE FOR THEIR JOINT COMMAND HEADQUARTERS IN VIENTIANE. THE TWO MILITARY COMMAND STAFFS FOR VIENTIANE HELD THEIR FIRST PLENARY MEETING AT THE PRESIDENCE DU CONSEIL MORNING OF FEBRUARY 8, AND THEY REPORTEDLY DISCUSSED "METHODS OF WORK."

4. SOVIET AMBASSADOR TOLD ME THAT PHOUN SIPRASEUTH WAS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO VIENTIANE FEBRUARY 7 BUT WAS PREVENTED FROM DOING SO BY GROUND FOG CONDITIONS. PHOUN IS NOW EXPECTED TO ARRIVE HERE TODAY.

5. FOREGOING JCCIA-RELATED ACTIVITY PLUS SCHEDULED ARRIVAL OF PHOUN ENCOURAGES SPECULATION THAT NAMES OF MEMBERS OF NEW PGNU MAY BE FORTHCOMING SOON. PRIME MINISTER'S TARGET DATE IS FEBRUARY 21, WHICH IS FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF SIGNING OF VIENTIANE AGREEMENT.
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